

National Weather Service Grand Rapids News Story

Brief heavy snow expected near I-94 early Friday 02/25/11

A low pressure system will track northeast from the southern plains to the northeastern United States overnight, resulting in an episode of brief heavy snow near I-94. Forecast amounts can be seen in Fig. 1. Roads will become snow covered and slippery tonight and Friday morning, impacting the morning commute. Most of the snow should fall between midnight and 7 am. Visibilities may be reduced to less than half a mile at times in snow and blowing snow. Strengthening winds could cause ice covered tree limbs to fall overnight and Friday morning, which would result in power interruptions and impeded travel conditions.

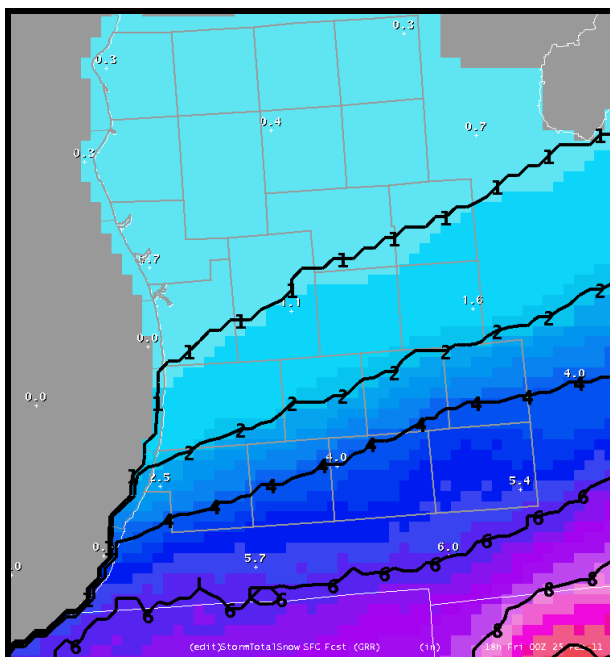


FIG. 1. Forecast snowfall totals through Friday afternoon.

An area of heavy precipitation over Illinois this evening (Fig. 2) will move northeast, and begin to affect the I-94 corridor after midnight (Fig. 3).

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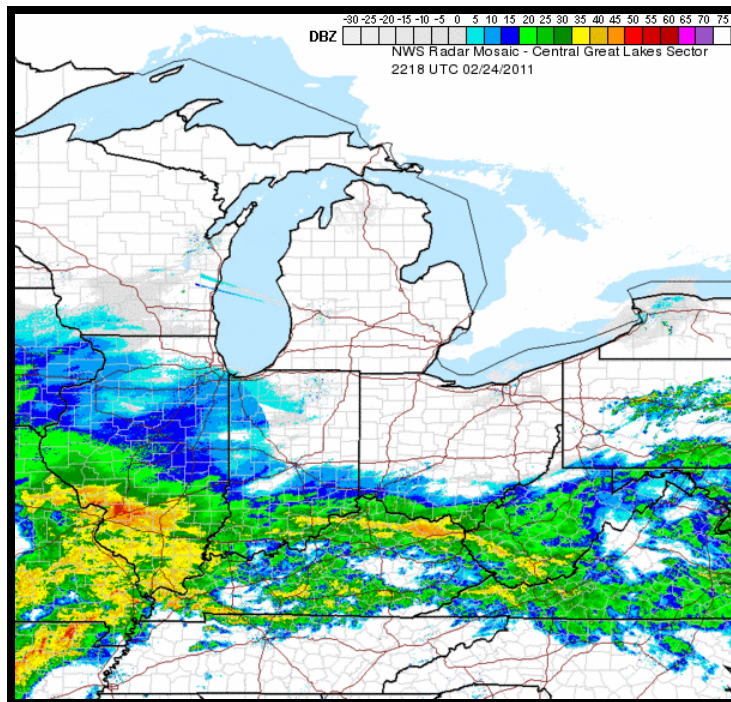


FIG. 2. Observed radar imagery at 5:30 PM EST Thursday.

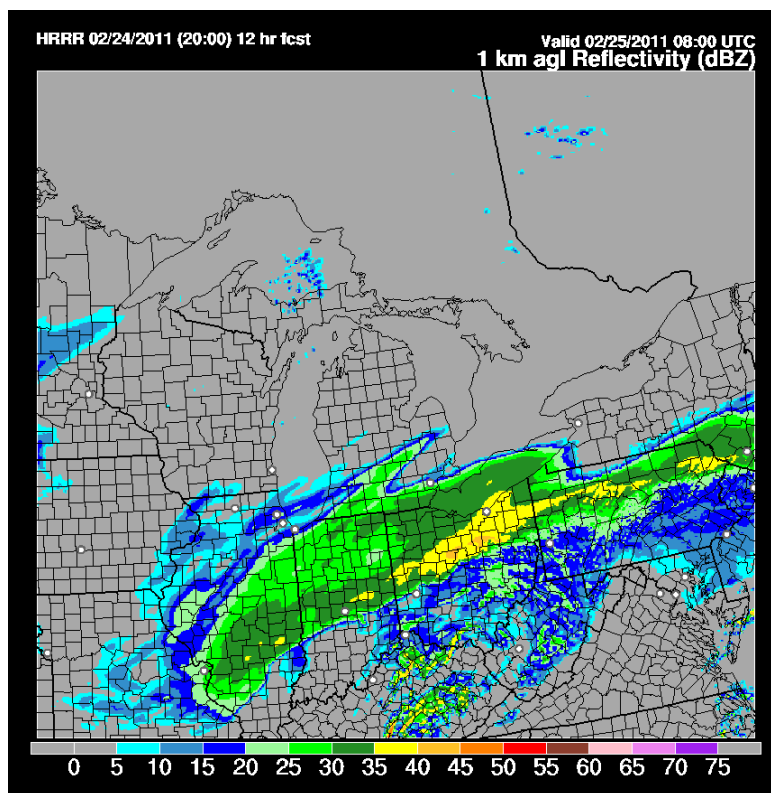


FIG. 3. Forecast radar imagery for 3 AM EST Friday.